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Public Health Department, Millmead House,

Guildford.

June, 1965.

To the Chairman and Members of the Guildford Rural District Council.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the Guildford Rural District for the year 1964, which is prepared as instructed by the Ministry of Health.

Once again the report makes satisfactory reading, as the health of the District has remained good and the population continues to show an upward trend. The Registrar General estimates the population at mid-1964 as 60,530, an increase of 1,930. The corrected Birth Rate is 19.66 per thousand of the population, which is higher than that of England and Wales (18.4). The corrected Death Rate, 10.68 per thousand population, continues to remain lower than that of England and Wales which is 11.3. The Infant Mortality Rate 17.39, although slightly higher than in 1963, is much lower than the national figure of 20.0.

Heart and Circulatory diseases are still the main cause of death, followed by Cancer of the Lung and Bronchitis. No serious outbreaks of disease occurred during the year. The attention of the public was drawn to the necessity for strict hygienic handling of food at the time of the Aberdeen Typhoid outbreak. Several interesting cases of unusual gastro-intestinal infections occurred, and there were a few unusual complications of mumps and measles. I am grateful to the General Practitioners for their continued cooperation.

Schemes are being prepared for the sewerage of some of the areas on which I specially reported in 1963, in particular Ash Green and Artington, and it is hoped that it may soon be possible to proceed also with main drainage in the other areas set out.

The Housing Programme has made good progress during the year, 61 dwellings being completed compared with only 9 in 1963. The Old People's Accommodation at Effingham is nearing completion, a Warden has been appointed, and it is hoped to commence tenancies in the very near future. Plans are going forward steadily for similar accommodation at Albury.

I would like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council for their valued assistance, and all the staff of my Department for their continued excellent work.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

MARGARET POLLOCK,

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION I

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Accommodation at Ethingham is nearing con has been appointed, and it is hoped to commence	1964	1963
Area in Acres		59,649
Estimated resident population in July (esti- mate supplied by Registrar-General)	60,530	58,600
Number of Inhabited Houses according to Rate Books (at 1st April following year)	17,188	16,725
Rateable Value (at 1st April following year)	£2,536,139	£2,472,198
A sum represented by a Penny Rate (actual)	£1,032	£10,143
Number of Live Births (legitimate and illegitimate)	1,167	1,112
Birth-Rate (actual) per 1,000 of the population	19.28	19.32
Birth-Rate (after correction by the Registrar- General's Comparability Factor)	19.66	19.70
Number of Still Births	9	9
Number of Deaths	588	536
Death-Rate (actual) per 1,000 of the population	9.71	9.15
Death-Rate (after correction by the Registrar- General's Comparability Factor)	10.68	10.06
Natural increase of population during year by excess of births over deaths	579	576
Number of Deaths of Infants (under the age of one year)	20	17
Infant Mortality per 1,000 live births	17.39	15.28
Number of women dying in, or in consequence of child-birth	Nil	Nil
Death Rates, per 1,000 population, from:		
Respiratory Tuberculosis	0.01	0.05
Other infective and parasitic diseases	0.04	0.02
Cancer	1.81	1.89
Heart and Circulatory diseases	3.96	3.48
Influenza	0.29	0.10
Pneumonia	0.49	0.53
Bronchitis	0.31	0.51
Other diseases of respiratory system	0.04	0.07
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	0.04	0.04
Nephritis and Nephrosis	0.04	0.10

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births:					
Number					1,167
Rate per 1,000 population					19.28
Illegitimate Live Births per cent. of total Still Births:	al live	births		Bygg Brigg	4.38
Number Rate per 1,000 total live and still	 births				14 11.91
Total Live and Still Births					1,181
Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year)					20
Infant Mortality Rates:					
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 i	legitin	nate live			17.39 15.26 58.82
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under	4 wee	eks per	1.000	total	
live births)					12.92
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths	under	1 week	per 1	.000	
total live births)					11.14
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births an	nd dea	ths und	er 1 v	veek	
combined per 1,000 total live and					22.85
Maternal Mortality (including abortion):	:				
Number of deaths Rate per 1,000 total live and still					Nil —

COMPARATIVE BIRTH AND DEATH-RATES

The following Table shows the birth and death-rates per 1,000 of the population for the District, and for England and Wales, for 1963 and 1964.

100	Ann		per 1,00 oulation	Mor per	ntile tality	Mate Des (inclu Abortio 1,000 to	iths iding on) per	
	Birth-Rate		Death-Rate		live b	oirths	and still) births	
27	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963
Guildford R.D. Crude	19.28	19.32	9.71	9.15	17.39	15.28	Nil	Nil
Comp.	19.66	19.70	10.68	10.06	-	-	_	_
Engl'nd and Wales	18.4	18.2	11.3	12.2	20.0	21.1	0.25*	0.25

^{*}This is our own approximation based on national figures up to 30th September, 1964 (no later information available).

	Cause of Death	Sex	Total All Ages	Under 4 weeks
3.	Syphilitic Disease	M	2	69-45
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	FM	3	
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	FM	11	
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	FM	4 21	_
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12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	M F	14	margin.
13. 14.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	F	24	ing and
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	FM	20	_
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16.	Diabetes	M F	2	m-m-X
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	M F	28 45	
18.	Coronary disease, angina	M	74	-
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	F M	47	
20.	Other heart disease	FM	7 22	
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21.	Other circulatory disease	M F	14	
22.	Influenza	MF	_	-
23.	Pneumonia	M	11	_
24.	Bronchitis	FM	20	_
	an autocathus fixting divid mit sunds state	F	5	-
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	M F	2	
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	M F	3	_
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	M	1	-
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	FM	2	_
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	F M	2	-
31.	Congenital malformations	M	3	1
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	F	27	1 8
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	FM	28	5
		F	2	-
34.	All other accidents	M F	11 5	
35.	Suicide	M	3 2	_
36.	Homicide and operations of war	M F	1 1	_
Т	otal all causes	MF	293 295	9 6

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GRAPH SHOWING BIRTH AND DEATH RATES PER 1,000 OF THE POPULATION

	Guildford R.D.*	England and Wales.
Births		
Deaths		
	*=Figures after correction	
20	tar-General's Comparal	oility Factor.
19		-====
18		=
17		+++
16		+++
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SECTION 2

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

Laboratory examinations are carried out at the Guildford Public Health Laboratory, with the exception of occasional specimens examined at Farnham Hospital Laboratory. Copies of reports on infectious disease specimens submitted by general practitioners are also sent to the Public Health Department.

Examinations carried out at the Guildford Laboratory during

the year were:

Milk samples				193
Ice Cream samples				91
Water samples (for ba-				144
Scarlet Fever and Hæme	olytic S	treptoco	occal	
Infections (swabs)				248
Examination of fæces				201
Miscellaneous				7

Water Analysis. The Counties Public Health Laboratories, Grays Inn Road, London, W.C.1, continue to undertake chemical examination of our water samples, also bacteriological where a full examination is required: 16 samples were sent there during 1964. Samples for bacterial count only are sent to the Guildford Public Health Laboratory, as noted above.

HOSPITALS.

The District is served in the main by hospitals of the Guildford & Godalming Hospital Group, as set out below:—

Staffed beds at 31.12.64.

	Diseases of				Chronic		
	General	Chest	Maternity	Children	Sick	TOTAL	
St. Luke's Hospital	213		58	39	49	359	
Royal Surrey County Hosp.	189			27		216	
Jarvis Maternity Home			12			12	
Puttenham Priory					36	36	
Milford Chest Hospital	6	206				212	
King George V Hospital	34	154			12	200	
	512	360	86	78	97	1133	
	512	360	86	78	97	1133	

The Ash area is served by the Farnham Hospital, where there are 171 beds including 10 maternity.

There are 38 **chronic sick beds** at Ottershaw Hospital and 40 at Green Lane Hospital, Farnham.

There are day hospitals for old people at St. Luke's and Ottershaw Hospitals. These function from Mondays to Fridays.

Infectious Disease:

Ottershaw Isolation Hospital, 11 cubicles only. Green Lane Hospital, Farnham, 24 beds.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES (Including Infectious Disease).

The whole District is served by the County Ambulance Service, all applications being made to the Ambulance Control at Banstead, (Mogador 2991).

The Aldershot Ambulance gives occasional assistance in the nearby part of the Rural District.

HOSPITAL CAR SERVICE.

The Area Transport Officer of the Hospital Car Service has given me the following information which is an estimate since no separate records are kept for local authority districts: 3,481 patients from the Guildford Rural District were carried during 1964 involving a mileage of 58,063.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

Midwives.—There are 10 Midwives practising in the Rural District supervised by the County Medical Officer of Health. They are resident in the following parishes.

Albury			 _	Horsley, East	 	
Artingt						
Ash				Normandy	 	_
Clando	n, East		 	Ockham	 	-
Clando	n, Wes	t	 1	Pirbright	 	_
Compto	n		 _	Puttenham	 	_
Effingh	am		 _	Seale	 	1
Ripley				Shere	 	1
St. Mai	tha		 -	Tongham	 	1
Send			 2	Wanborough	 	_
Shackle	ford		 -	Wisley		_
Shalfor	d		 1			_

District Nurses.—District Nurses are available in every parish. This service is administered by the County Council through the Divisional Medical Officers.

Health Visitors.—County Health Visitors visit homes under the School Medical and Child Welfare Services. There are 11 H.V.s distributed in the following districts: (a) Peaslake and Farley Green; (b) Ash Vale and part of Ash; (c) Ash Wyke, part of Ash, Normandy, Wanborough; (d) Shalford, Shere, Chilworth, Albury; (e) Worplesdon, Compton, Puttenham, Shackleford, Artington, Wood Street; (f) Ash Green, Tongham, Seale; (g) Send, Ripley, Wisley, Ockham, East and West Clandon; (h) Pirbright; (i) East and West Horsley, Effingham; (j) Pirbright; (k) Holmbury St. Mary, Abinger Hammer.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

Maternity and Child Welfare.—Centres within the District are set out in the table below:

Ante-Natal Clinics.—Clinics serving the District are held as follows:—

Ash Health Centre ... 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, p.m. Every Wednesday, p.m. 2nd and 4th Mondays, p.m. 2nd and 4th Mondays, p.m.

*Woking Maternity Home, Friday, a.m. Heathside Road, Woking Wednesday, p.m.

St. Luke's Hospital, Guildford Monday to Friday, 1.30 p.m. Booking Clinic, Monday and Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Post Natal Clinic ... Tuesday, 11 a.m. First Examination Clinic ... Tuesday afternoon.

*Administered by Woking U.D.C.

Orthopædic Treatment.—In-patient treatment is given at the Royal Surrey County Hospital and at the Rowley Bristow Hospital at Pyrford.

Orthopædic Clinics for out-patient treatment are available at the Royal Surrey County Hospital on Tuesdays at 1.45 p.m. and Fridays at 9 a.m., and at the Rowley Bristow Hospital on Monday and Wednesday mornings and afternoons, by appointment only.

CHEST CLINICS.

Clinic	Address	Day and Time for Attendance				
Farnham	Northfield Hospital, Aldershot	Wednesdays, 9.20 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. 1st Friday at 10.20 a.m. 2nd and 4th Fridays at 2.30 p.m.				
The Vehicals	arte /dylanianic with	First Friday 2.30 p.m.; Last Saturday 9.30 a.m.				
acaban North Long	Farnham Hospital (out patients) Poplars Clinic,	Alternate Mondays at 1.45 p.m.				
	Crossways, Frimley	Last Tuesday, 2 p.m.				
Guildford	Tower House, Epsom Road, Guildford	Mondays, 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. Thursdays, 9.30 to 12 noon. Fridays, 9 to 11.30 a.m.				

Venereal Diseases Clinic.—A Clinic is held at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, four days weekly as follows:

Mondays (Females)		 	 	3-7 p	m.
Thursdays (Female:	s)	 	 9	.30-11 a	.m.
Tuesdays (Males)		 	 9/	5-7 p	m.
Fridays (Males) .		 	 	5-7 p	.m.

Family Planning.—The Family Planning Clinic at St. Luke's Hospital, Guildford, is held every Monday and Friday evening at 5.30 p.m., and is administered by a Voluntary Committee. Appointments are required.

Chiropody Service.—There is a Chiropody Service for Expectant Mothers, Handicapped Persons and Old People. The first two classes are dealt with by direct arrangement with private chiropodists, the third through voluntary organisations, such as the Red Cross and W.V. S.

The Clinics mentioned above are all administered by and under the control of the Surrey County Council, except where otherwise stated.

Accidents in the Home.—The following information, received from the County Ambulance Service, shows the number and types of home accident cases taken to hospital from this District during 1964:

Burns and scalds-a			 2
Burns and scalds—c	children	1	 _
Falls			 10
Falls-elderly person	ıs		 9
Overdose or poisoni	ng		 13
Other-adults			 7
Other-children			 5
			_
	T	otal	 46

HOME HELP SERVICE.

The South Western Division of the Surrey County Council administers the Home Help Service in most of the Guildford Rural District. There are at present about 70 Home Helps serving the whole Division, although in fact most of them reside in the urban parts of the District.

Wherever possible **Neighbourly Helps**, of which there are 19 at the present time, are recruited in the rural areas, partly so that the patients can have more constant attention and partly to avoid the travelling necessary when Home Helps from the town are used.

Special Home Helps are used when available to assist with unusually difficult cases or problem families, but the necessity for special training and unusual attributes makes them diffifficult to obtain. There are 4 at the moment. All requests from this department for Home Helps during 1964 have been met.

CARE OF THE AGED and NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, Sec. 47.

It was not necessary to apply for compulsory removal in any case during 1964. Borderline cases can usually be persuaded, ultimately, to go voluntarily to a hospital or Home.

Twenty old persons were dealt with during the year and were helped in various ways including 7 admitted to hospital; 4 provided with Home Help; alternative accommodation arrangements were made in 3 cases. When necessary the Health Visitor was asked to keep in touch, whilst in nearly all the cases the help of voluntary bodies such as the British Red Cross, the W.V.S., etc., was enlisted.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD: SEC. 50, NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

Three cases were dealt with under this Section during 1964.

MORTUARIES.

The requirements of the District are fully met by arrangements with other authorities in West Surrey, payment being made on a per capita basis. The number of bodies admitted to mortuaries from this District during 1964 was:—

Milford Chest Hospital	 18
Farnham Hospital	 15
Leatherhead Urban District Council	 12
Woking Urban District Council	 13

Rarely, bodies from this District are sent by the Coroner to Epsom Hospital.

TILLINGBOURNE VALLEY PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICE.

This voluntary mobile unit continues its valuable service in the villages of Abinger Hammer, Albury, Chilworth, Gomshall, Holmbury, Peaslake, Shalford and Shere, and serves also several villages in the adjoining Districts of Hambledon Rural and Dorking and Horley Rural. 329 cases were treated during 1964, involving 2,071 treatments and a mileage of 8,942.

The Committee of the Service, anxious that the benefits of such a unit should be enjoyed over a greater area, surveyed the surrounding areas with a view to extending the service, and there were high hopes at the end of the year of implementing the decision early in 1965.

W.V.S.

This valuable service does much to lighten the burdens of the elderly and the lonely. The ladies of the W.V.S. also help in the running of Welfare Centres and Chiropody Clinics for the elderly (both in conjunction with the County Council). Families in difficulties due to the absence of the principal wage earner—perhaps in prison or serving in the forces overseas— are given help and encouragement, whilst the running of the Hospital Car Service is also largely in W.V.S. hands. Mrs. Sanger continues as Centre Organiser.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

The Red Cross is active throughout the Rural District. Amongst its many activities are Medical Loans Depots, Old People's Clubs, Escort Duty, Clinics, Foot Clinics, Transport of the Disabled for special purposes, Welfare visits and Fund Raising.

SPASTICS.

The nearest Centre for spastic children is at White Lodge, Guildford Road, Chertsey, and is run under the auspices of the National Spastics Society.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY.

This extremely useful society continues its good work, much of which is due to the enthusiasm of its Hon. Secretary, Mr. Farnfield, 19, Dorrit Crescent, Rydes Hill, Guildford. It does much to help sufferers from this disease, also encouraging mutual help and the exchange of advice on daily problems special to this disease.

GUILDFORD MARRIAGE GUIDANCE COUNCIL.

This useful body dealt with 20 new cases in the Guildford Rural District during 1964, 145 interviews and 216 hours of work being entailed. 36 children under 16 years of age were involved. Consultants are available in various parts of the area, but the initial approach in every case must be made to the General Secretary, Mrs. M. C. Wood, 21, Ganghill, Guildford.

The Guildford Rural District Council makes an annual grant of £50.

SECTION 3

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER SUPPLIES.

The following table shows the results of water samples taken during 1964 from the 5 major water undertakings and 8 private supplies.

Supply	Sa	mple	Satisf	factory	Unsatisfactory		
- Cappi	Bact.	Chem.	Bact.	Chem.	Bact.	Chem.	
Public Supplies:— East Surrey Water Company Guildford, Godalming and District Water Board:—	12	2	12	2	OH Ship OH CHAN IN CHAN		
Guildford Supply Shere Supply (Village) Shere Supply (Hollister) Netley Supply	14 5 4 2	2 1 - 2	14 5 4 2	2 1 - 2	E E		
Godalming Supply Mid-Wessex Water Co. Wey Valley Water Co. Woking Water Company	5 13 4 15	1 2 1 3	5 13 4 15	1 2 1 3	=		
Private Supplies:— Albury Estate (Sherbourne) Albury Park (Mansion)	4 5		4 5		Sifeyas Sie was		
Eastbury Manor Greyfriars Limnerslease Loseley Park	6 4 5 24	_ _ _ 2	3 4 5 18	<u>-</u>	$\frac{3}{-6}$		
Watts Galleries Woodcote Lodge	4	=	4 4	=		_	
TOTAL	130	16	121	16	9		
Other Samples:— Private Wells etc., Swimming Pools	4 10		3 10		1		
GRAND TOTAL	144	16	134	16	10		

The question of examination of water works employees, to guard against possible infection by typhoid carriers, was brought to the fore again this year. As a result the Guildford, Godalming & District Water Board and the Woking Water Company have made fresh arrangements to ensure that all employees shall have a satisfactory blood test and also be subject to special check after holidays abroad in countries where typhoid is endemic.

The other public supplies have somewhat similar arrangements which have been in force many years.

Fluoride Content of Water Supplies.

Details of the Fluoride content of all public supplies in the District were set out in my report for 1963. This showed the average content of all supplies in our area to be less than 0.2 parts per million. There has been no change.

Plumbo Solvency.

No water supply is subject to Plumbo Solvent action.

Guildford, Godalming and District Water Board. There have been some slight changes in the source of Water Board supplies. Two new bore holes at Netley Mill, Gomshall, are in use and the Hurtwood Supply discontinued. The former Ockford source at Godalming, once the cause of many complaints of discolouration, has now been taken entirely out of use. The Water Board now has a project to extract water from the River Wey at Shalford, but investigations are only at a preliminary stage.

Private Supplies. The private water undertaking mentioned last year continued to receive close attention. The reservoir has now been provided with a permanent cover to prevent contamination by birds and animals, and the walls raised to avoid surface contamination. The water is now of a satisfactory nature.

During recent years properties connected to a private supply at Compton have, when opportune, been connected to adjacent mains supplies. The last remaining cottage on the private supply was put on to the main in 1964.

A third private estate supply, serving 14 houses and a farm dairy, produced some unsatisfactory analyses during the summer and again at the end of the year. Instructions were given for all drinking water to be boiled until the cause of the trouble was traced and dealt with. Cleaning of the pumping chamber and reservoir resulted in an improvement in the bacteriological quality of the water.

SWIMMING POOLS.

The one public swimming pool in the area, at Shere, was the cause of some concern at the end of the summer due to breakdown of the continuous chlorination system. The Parish Council, by whom the pool is run, is hoping to provide a modern chlorinating plant before the spring of 1965.

A school pool at Effingham, used by many other schools also, was under review during 1964. Some difficulty had been experienced in achieving suitable supervision and the water was found at times to be over-chlorinated. Advice was given to the supervising authority.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE.

I am indebted to the Council's Engineer and Surveyor for the following notes on the progress of main drainage schemes.

	No Water	Supply	1	bit house												I DAY OF									1+	2
	-Houses olies	Rain- water	1	1		al Pl		1		00	1			1	1								-			6
	Occupied Dwelling-Houses on Private Supplies	Spring	1	1	11		1	1	1	1	1	1	-		-	4		-	1						1	9
	Occupied on P	Well or Borehole	25	41	-		18	1		6	S		1 6	1	']			-	1	ır	,	ır	,		1	93
	Communal Standpipe	Populat- tion		1	11	1		1	1	1	1		-	-		-		1	-	-	1	3		-	1	3
ns Supply	Comr	No. of Dwell- ings		1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	-	1	1	2
Public Mains Supply	Direct to Dwelling-house	Popula- tion	1289	456	351	1242	1063	2788	4351	3163	3085	567	1833	662	2167	755	1097	1479	3981	797	4189	4426	341	145	7072	58827
	Dire Dwellin	No. of Dwell- ings	382	135	104	368	306	826	1289	937	914	168	543	196	642	224	325	438	1179	236	1241	1309	101	43	2095	17416
	*Esti- mated	lation	1380	503	351	1242	1093	2795	4368	3200	3102	567	1836	665	2167	692	1100	1479	3984	814	4189	4443	344	145	7079	59167
*Fsti-	mated No. of	dwelling-	409	3422	104	368	324	828	1294	846	919	168	544	197	642	228	326	438	1180	241	1241	1316	102	43	2097	17528
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	Parish	adquar adquar i ues is	Albury	Artington	Clandon East	Clandon West	Compton	Effingham	Horsley East	Horsley West	Normandy	Ockham	Pirbright	Puttenham	Ripley	St. Martha	Seale	Tongham	Send	Shackleford	Shalford	Shere	Wanborough	Wisley	Worplesdon	Totals

* Per Rating Office as at 1.4.64. † Work in progress on connection to Mains Supply.

WORKS IN HAND.

Ash Vale Main Drainage Phases I, II, III and IVA. Work on all Phases has been completed. A total of 15.2 miles of sewer has been laid. A total of 2,664 properties are connected to these sewers and 116 existing properties remain to be connected.

Effingham Main Drainage. A further 16 properties were connected to the sewer making a total of 506 since the sewer was laid in 1957.

Normandy, Worplesdon and Pirbright Main Drainage Phase I. (Southern half of Worplesdon Parish). On the 8 miles of sewer serving the above area, a further 45 properties making 1,329 have been connected to the sewers which is 95% of the total properties old and new in the drainage area.

Peasmarsh Main Drainage. On the 1.5 miles of sewer completed last year providing for 136 properties, 98 have been connected to the sewer, this is 79% of the total.

Tillingbourne Valley Main Drainage Phases III, IV, V and VIA. To date 710 properties have been connected to the 15.9 miles of sewer of this scheme. 85% of the total of 831 are now connected.

WORKS IN PROGRESS.

Ash Vale Main Drainage—Ash Vale Works Extension. Work is substantially completed upon the extension of the above works at a cost of £143,239 and the additional sedimentation tanks, filters and humus tanks are in operation.

Normandy, Worplesdon and Pirbright Main Drainage Phase II (Normandy). Work is substantially complete upon the laying of 8.5 miles of spun iron sewer serving 552 properties. All sewers have been laid and are being cleaned and finally tested.

Normandy, Worplesdon and Pirbright Main Drainage Phase IIIA (Worplesdon). Work has commenced upon the laying of 2.7 miles of sewers providing facilities for 205 properties and is progressing satisfactorily.

Normandy, Worplesdon and Pirbright Main Drainage Phase IIIB (Pirbright). Work has commenced upon the laying of 9 miles of sewers providing facilities for 328 properties and a population of 4,000 at the Pirbright Guards Camp and is progressing satisfactorily.

WORKS IN PREPARATION.

Artington Main Drainage. A Scheme for providing 0.86 miles and serving 36 properties and the Surrey Police Headquarters at Mount Brown is being prepared.

Ash Vale Main Drainage Phase IVB (Ash Green). A Scheme providing 2.71 miles of sewer and serving 129 properties is in the course of preparation.

Normandy, Worplesdon and Pirbright Main Drainage Phase IIW (Extension, Hockford Disposal Works). Tenders are being invited shortly for extensions to the Hockford Works to provide for the flaws which will arise from the phase of the scheme at present under construction.

.2 miles of sewer have been laid during the year by estate developers of housing estates. 91% of all new properties erected have been connected to the main sewer.

As a result of laying sewers, 216 existing and 322 new properties have been provided with main drainage facilities during the year.

Hockford Sewage Disposal Works, Pirbright. During the year investigation was made into the advisability of using specialised equipment for the breaking up of large clots from a unit at a Research Institute prior to its reception at the Hockford Works. The equipment was considered satisfactory, and its use was agreed.

CLEANSING SERVICES.

Cesspool Emptying. The Council's free three-monthly emptying service, given on request, continued with but little difficulty. 7,707 requests were made, the number of loads being 14,950. All was tipped into sewers with the exception of 1,088 disposed of at The Elm Hill Tip at Normandy and 880 on to farm land.

It is now possible to give a free emptying service more frequently than three monthly where special circumstances warrant it, and in certain cases, therefore, a two monthly service is now given.

Night Soil Collection. A twice-weekly collection is provided where there is reasonable access for the Council's vehicles. The implementation of main drainage schemes has halved the number of pail emptyings in the last five years, the number in 1960 being 121,732, while the 1964 figure was only 60,840. All night soil is tipped into sewers.

Public Scavenging. In pursuance of the Council's policy to extend a weekly collection of house refuse, an accelerated programme was drawn up, and it was just possible to introduce the final stage by the end of the year. With the exception of two or three fairly small areas where there are special problems, a weekly service is now in operation. Controlled tipping continues at the three tips at Send, Shalford and Ash. During 1964 6,103 loads of house refuse were shot, plus 667 loads of other refuse. Arising out of the detailed survey of the north-west part of the District for an alternative disposal site, negotiations were commenced for the use of a disused sand pit at Seale. Although the matter was still not settled at the end of the year, there is every hope it will reach a satisfactory conclusion.

There being at least two areas of outstanding natural beauty in the Rural District to which many thousands of visitors from London and elsewhere are attracted during the year, there is need for an adequate number of litter bins. There are 305 of these throughout the District, mainly at the public open spaces and at 'bus stops. In common with the general trend, vandalism necessitates constant renewal. There is also a growing problem from the dumping of unwanted cars, although fortunately it has not yet reached serious proportions in this area.

RIVERS AND STREAMS.

The question of possible pollution of the River Wey from the discharge of pail closet contents from house boats was taken up and, in consultation with the Thames Conservancy Board, pressure was brought to bear on the occupiers to avoid pollution of the river.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS AND OTHER PESTS.

The following disinfestations were carried out:

Flies						9
Bed bugs		11 2.1.20	UG.2.91		0	10200
						2
Body lice		7	un., pri	J. Steam		1
Other pests		191.00				1
Visits to ref	use	tips for	insect	control	pur-	
poses						83

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are no such premises in the Guildford Rural District.

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES.

A licence was granted to a Government Infestation Control Field Research Station to carry out experiments with moles.

COMPLAINTS.

Lilac Farm, Effingham (Fat Factory). Vigorous complaints by residents and local community associations continued during 1964. The byelaws, under Section 108 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for the Control of Offensive Trades in the Parish of Effingham, for some years under drafting and consideration, were finally approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government and came into operation on the 1st January, 1964.

Basingstoke Canal. Complaints have continued to come from Residents' Associations in Ash Vale regarding this canal. Further investigations continued to reveal no public health nuisance. The report of the Civil Engineer appointed jointly by the Surrey County Council and Surrey local authorities concerned, was received towards the end of the year, and awaits joint discussions between all the authorities concerned.

Other Complaints. Several complaints were received this year regarding conditions at cafes and restaurants in the District. These were investigated and necessary action taken.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The following table shows the numbers and type of visits carried out by the Public Health Inspectors during the year, together with the number of Notices served.

Public Health Matters:

I ubile Health Matters.	
Drainage and overflowing cesspools	1,138
Water supplies	78
Stables and piggeries	92
Offensive accumulations	84
Rats and Mice	11
Insect pests	70
Ponds, pools, ditches and watercourses	103
Swimming Pools	18
Knackers' yards	11
Filthy or verminous premises	4
Infectious disease inquiries etc	650
Food poisoning investigations	3
Refuse collection	106
Refuse disposal	269
Night soil collection service	61
Public conveniences	1
Hairdressers	9
Disinfection	1
Miscellaneous visits re nuisances, etc	217
	2,926
	bus alliva-,
Housing Matters:	
Public Health ActInspections	48
Reinspections	198
Housing Act Inspections	41
Reinspections	203
Discretionary Grants Inspections	72
Reinspections	68
Standard Grants Inspections	16
Reinspections	6
Advisory visits re grant aid	91
Rural Housing Survey	26
Overcrowding	Clerk Ak
Houses in multiple occupation	30
Housing applications	
Miscellaneous visits	144
	1,001
	. ,001

Factories, etc.:				
Mechanical power		anej il	65	
Non-mechanical power		11110	1	
Outworkers			Î	
Workplaces	GRUNY		3	
Workplaces			_	70
Offices Shops and Dailway Dram	icoc A	ot 106	2	10
Offices, Shops and Railway Prem		ci, 190		
General inspections			100	
Other visits			557	(57
			off office	657
Food and Drugs Act, etc.:				
Grocers			224	
Food factories			8	
Fishmongers and poulterers			26	
Greengrocers			44	
Butchers		VI 1818	49	
Bakeries			46	
Confectioners			55	
Ice cream premises			16	
Hotels and restaurants			52	
Cafes	Olivinia		137	
Canteens			120	
Food stalls and street vendor			50	
Licensed premises			119	
Registered food premises			5	
D '1 '1 1 1	111		16	
	111	W. 100	2	
Poultry farms			89	
Miscellaneous		mornso)	09	1.050
Inspection of foodstuffe			STRIP	1,058
Inspection of foodstuffs				106
Milk and Dairies Regulations:				
Dairies and distributors (other	er thar	1 for	Bettern	H .
samples)				32
Caravans and Moveable Dwelling	S			1,229
Sampling:				
Water			134	
Milk			145	
Ice cream			82	
Watercress			5	
Miscellaneous visits			264	
Wiscontineous visits				630
Noise Abatement Act, 1960				80
				176
Clean Air Act, 1956				
Pet Animals Act, 1951		1		3
Animal Boarding Establishments	Act,	1963		50
Rent Act, 1957	BELV. BE			10
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NOTICES SERVED.

Preliminary Notices (i.e., le	tter	rs):		
D			 125	
			 22	
Canteens/cafes/food pr			 23	
Food shops			 17	
Clubs/parish halls/pub			 9	
Poultry/piggeries			 5	
Agricultural holdings			 1	
Factories			14	
Bakehouses			 3	
Water supply			 3	
Knackers yards			2	
Miscellaneous			 1	
wiscenaneous			 and the	225
Preliminary Notices complie	d v	with		182
Statutory Notices served by				2
Statutory Notices complied				2
Statutory Protices complicu	AAIT			4

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

There are no slaughterhouses licensed in the area.

INSPECTION OF FACTORIES.

	Number	1	Number of						
ANT TO ETRINGERY	on Register			Cases Prosecuted					
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	how or	1	anoria anoria a -	eidT to socillav					
(ii) Factories not included in (i) above in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	bn/ (w	65	10	io tesper e goina ed 'inco					
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority* (excluding out-workers' premises)	W TSYOL	3							
Totals	276	69	10	acaracigns bayolgns					

^{*}Electrical Stations [Sections 103 (1)], Institutions (Section 104 and sites of Building Operations and Works of Engineering Construction (Sections 107 and 108).

125	N	No. of cases in				
Particulars	626	mend po	Refe	which prosecu-		
	Found Remedied		To H.M. By H.M. Inspector		tions were instituted	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	_	- 581	COLUMN TO SERVICE	Pactories	-/	
Overcrowding (S.2)	_	.,	- 808	Bulk-trou	_	
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3) Inadequate Ventilation (S.4)			yards soos	Knackeri Mis Zilar	=	
Ineffective Drainage of Floors (S.6)	ibdi	mplied v	latices or ices servi	minary I	Prei	
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or defective (c) Not separate for sexes	1 9 —	1 7 —	ices com	1 -	SEAUGH	
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relat- ing to Outwork)		ORIES.	slaughter FAC1	O MOL	ANSPEC	
Totals	10	8	-	1	-	

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

This Act to make provision for securing the health, safety and welfare of persons employed to work in office or shop premises and certain railway premises came into operation on 1st May, 1964 in respect of the sections requiring the registration of premises. Registration commenced very slowly and it was arranged that application of the Act to particular premises should be ascertained during routine visits under other legislation and Forms O.S.R.1. (registration forms) left with the employer where appropriate.

The general welfare provisions of the Act became operative on 1st August, 1964. In the following tables reference to 'a general inspection' means the measurement of all rooms where persons are employed and the detailed inspection of all such rooms, together with passages, storerooms etc., used by the employees in the course of their duties. The tables show:

(a) The number of registered premises, listed by the principal business carried on therein; and the number of detailed inspections carried out.

Class of premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection dur- ing the year
Offices	50	15
Retail shops	150	67
Wholesale shops, warehouses	11	3
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	49	15
Fuel storage depots	4	alestote — ozuora
TOTALS	264	100

(b) Analysis of persons employed in registered premises by workplace.

Class of workplace	Number of persons employe				
Offices	427				
Retail shops	477				
Wholesale departments, "Ware- houses"	133				
the public	376				
Canteens	14				
Fuel storage depots	20				
TOTAL	1447				

Accidents. Section 48, which requires notification of any accident occurring in premises to which the Act applies, also came into operation on 1st August, 1964.

No report of any accident was made.

RODENT CONTROL.

This work again showed an increase both in number of complaints received and in the number of infestations found and treated.

Securitary to select the		1964		Totals						
T SHIP TOOL OF HOUSE THE ROLL OF SHIP THE ROLL OF SHIP TO SHIP (S.)	Agri- cul- tural Pre- mises	Do- mestic and other Pre- mises	Total	1963	1962	1961	1960			
No. of complaints by occupiers of land of rat or mouse infesta- tion	3	767	770	686	529	775	501			
Premises inspected	60	1366	1426	1424	1710	1310	2070			
Total visits paid for rodent control purposes		2627	2689	2637	2737	2505	2991			
Infestations found Rat—Major Rat—Minor Mouse	4 19 —	64 826 36	68 845 36	43 781 41	25 703 43	28 837 71	19 671 90			
Totals	23	926	949	865	771	936	780			

SECTION 4

HOUSING

Work was commenced on the construction of the aged persons' flatlets at Effingham, and was well in hand at the end of the year. Two 2 bedroomed, five 1 bedroomed and eleven bed-sitting room flatlets will be provided here.

The building of a somewhat similar block of flats at Albury has been agreed in principle, and about 30 other units of bungalow accommodation for old people is contemplated in various parts of the District.

60 cases were investigated for the award of medical points on the receipt of a medical certificate from a general practitioner alleging hardship. There were 1,022 applicants on the Council's Housing List at the end of the year.

HOUSING PROGRAMME.

The following table shows the Council's Housing Programme as at 31st December, 1964 (information supplied by Council's Engineer, Surveyor & Planning Officer):

Parish	U	No. of wellings ltimately to be erected	Total Immediate Programme	No. of Dwellings in course of erection	No. of Dwellings Completed
Artington		4	-	majorio in	
Albury		63	18	6	39
Ash & Normandy		467	12	8	447
Clandon (West)		99			99
Compton		93	The party	1000	93
Effingham		82	24	18	40
Horsley (East)		124	50	O-SOT BUILD	74
Horsley (West)		168	_		168
Pirbright		28	MONTHY	The second	28
Puttenham		8	UON_GIA	F32101	8
Ripley		123	9 SIQ_2VIAS		123
Seale & Tongham		197	mid inpi	3 1 - V 15 11	197
Send		118	4	_	114
Shackleford	۸.	50	SARRENDLA II	r ton esenti	28
Shalford		191	_	7	184
Shere		95	minga_reside	ESTRUCT H	95
Worplesdon		218	56	mol <u>ni</u> a	162
Totals	2	2,128	164	39	1,899

During 1964, 61 dwellings were completed.

GRAMME—POSITION AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1964. Number of houses in five year programme commenced September, 1955 130 Action Completed: Demolished 93 Closed 7 *Made Fit 16 Undertakings not to use for human habitation Excluded from Clearance Order by Minister 120 *After conversion, etc., these 16 dwellings provided 11 units of accommodation. Action proceeding: Demolition Orders: Order made—rehousing awaited ... Orders made-demolition awaited ... Order made—further action deferred... Orders made-houses being reconditioned Clearance Orders: Order operative—demolition awaited Inspected and reported: Council deferred action Inspected: Action held in abeyance—voluntary closure by owner ... 10 130 UNFIT HOUSES AND HOUSING IMPROVEMENT MEANS OF GRANT AID. ACTION TAKEN. (1) (a) Houses not in Clearance Areas: Repairs: Houses where repairs carried out-formal and 30 informal action **Demolition:** Houses demolished (includes four houses closed in previous years) Houses subject to current demolition action 5

UNFIT HOUSES—FIVE-YEAR SLUM CLEARANCE PRO-

Closure: Houses closed Houses subject to current	of the year.	1 4 8
Houses made Fit: Houses reconditioned . Houses where work in three units of accommodates.	progress (to prov	1 vide 5
Inspected for report and act	ion	11
(b) Houses in Clearance Areas. Houses demolished Houses subject to curre	ent action	1
NOTE: Families rehoused as a res	ult of the year's w	ork 6
IMPROVEMENT GRANTS.		
Applications for these grants we follows:—	re dealt with during	ng 1964 as
	No. of Units in respect of which application made.	
Discretionary Grants Standard Grants	85 20	84 17

RENT ACT, 1957.

No action was necessary under this Act during 1964.

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION.

The two properties mentioned in the 1963 report have now ceased to be used for the purpose of multiple occupation. The one at Jacob's Well, Worplesdon, was vacated during 1964, while at Seale all the occupiers, except the owner and one other family, left during the year and the owner has been investigating the possibility of dividing the property into self-contained flats.

CARAVANS AND OTHER MOVABLE DWELLINGS.

Progress has continued in bringing sites up to the standard necessary for licensing, although not all sites are yet satisfactory. Delay in some cases is due to undetermined Appeals.

There was a good deal of trouble during 1964 with gipsy caravans parking temporarily on common land and leaving behind them large amounts of litter.

The appended tables give details of caravans in the District at the end of 1964. Fortunately there was no increase in the number of residential caravans during the year.

Pound Hill Temporary Caravan Site. This site, opened by the Council in 1961 to receive caravans from two unsatisfactory sites, continued on a run-down basis, there remaining 6 caravans at the end of the year.

Fairoaks Caravan Site. This Council owned site has now been combined with another adjoining—the White Bungalow Site— to accommodate 42 caravans with proper amenities.

The Bogs and Quadrant. Because of the continued problem of families camping on this prohibited land, the Council reappointed a special sub-committee this year to examine the problem further. Having regard to the primitive and insanitary conditions, it was decided to make provision for some of the caravan dwellers by rehousing and for others by establishing a temporary caravan site under the Council's control to which they could be moved.

Ten families were rehoused, and action taken to ensure that wherever possible the sites should not be reoccupied. At the end of the year, although the total number had been reduced, there remained 21 unauthorised caravans on these two sites.

Caravan Sites at 31.12.64.

(a)	Licensed Complying with conditions Not complying		nces	 Residential 68 10	Holiday 12 Nil
			Total	 78	12 90
(b)	Exempt from Licensing				
	Use within curtilage of dwe	ise	 18	2	
	Exempted organisations			 4	3
	Others			 5	Nil
			Total	27	5 32
(c)	Uulicensed	211		 19	3 22
1281	Moch investments are pu	TOTAL	SITES	 124	20144

Of the twenty-two unlicensed sites referred to above, eight were in the Bogs and Quadrant areas at Ash, ten were subject to undetermined applications and legal proceedings had been taken, or were pending, in respect of the remaining four.

	of Caravans		184	183 2 34 23	242	-0 04	6	242 105 15 72	434	698	886
Total	s No. of							LTUS A			
	No. of Sites	1	39	10 2 5 5 10	27	11 24	8	29 16 9 16	70	144	143
Recreational	No. of Caravans	55 55	09	151	162	1111-1	1	11-1	1	224	222
Recre	No. of Sites	5 7	4	∞ +	13	-	1	2	2	20	20
Residential	No. of Caravans	10 2 2 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	124	32 2 31 15	80	132 21	8	242 105 14 72	433	645	664
Resid	No. of Sites	120228461	35	2249	14	11 38	7	29 16 7 16	89	124	123
Parish		East Clandon West Clandon Effingham East Horsley West Horsley Ockham Ripley Send Wisley	Totals	Albury St. Martha Shalford Shere	Totals	Artii Con Putt Seal Shac Wan	Totals	Ash Normandy Pirbright Worplesdon	Totals	rals, 1964	e ,Dec. 1963
Area North- East			ıst		South- West		North-West		Grand Totals, 1964	Comp. Figure, Dec. 1963	

SECTION 5

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLIES.

All milk in distribution is sampled regularly, as follows: all samples are subjected to the Methylene Blue Test, pasteurised milk to the Phosphatase Test, and any samples of pasteurised milk failing this test, together with raw Tuberculin Tested milks, are examined biologically for tuberclosis.

The table on page is a summary of the results of the samples taken during the last 9 years.

MILK AND DAIRIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1959

Registered	dairy premis	es	 	6
	distributors		 	34

ICE CREAM.

No ice cream is manufactured in this District. Firms with nation-wide distribution supply the major portion, mainly in prepacked form. 160 premises are registered for the storage and sale of ice cream.

The following table shows the number of samples taken during the year and their provisional gradings:

No. of Samples		Provisio	nal Gradings	
taken 91	Grade 1 83	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955: FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960.

Inspections were made during the year under these Regulations.

The following table shows the food premises within the District, by Groups:

Grocers (includi	ng the	ose con	bined	with	
other trades	s)				128
Greengrocers, Fi	shmo	ngers, I	Butcher	rs	45
Bakers, Confect	ioners	, Sweet	shops		47
Restaurants, Ho	tels, I	Public-h	nouses,	Off-	
Licences, C		_			159
Nursing Homes	s, In	stitutio	ns, Sc	chool	
Meals, Wor					79
Mobile Canteens	s, Mo	bile Sh	ops		17
Food Factories					4
Chemists					8

Legal proceedings against the proprietor of a greengrocery shop in respect of dirty conditions resulted in a fine of £5.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODSTUFFS.

The following quantities of foodstuffs were inspected and certified as unfit for human consumption:—

		cwts.	grs.	lbs.	OZS.
Fresh meat, Ham,	Baco	n	4	19	8
Tinned Meat		1	3	19	4
Fish			1	7	
Fresh Fruit		16	1	20	
Other foodstuffs			3	11	15
Tinned milk — 9	pints	S.			
Frozen Foods —					

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

The following contraventions of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, came to our notice and were dealt with.

Six referred to bread:

In 2 of these, suspected foreign matter was found not to be such, being in one case compressed fat and in the other a normal constituent of stone-ground wholemeal flour.

The condition of 1 mouldy loaf was considered to be due to retention in wrapping over a Bank-holiday week-end in the hot weather, and the point was taken up with the manufacturers.

Two loaves containing foreign matter—1 being a piece of cardboard from the core of a roll of wrapping paper, and the other a piece of wood—were the subject of approach to the manufacturers and the public health authorities of the area concerned.

Similar action was taken in respect of a loaf containing an insect, and complete investigation of the bakery was carried out as a result.

Four instances of **canned meat** were dealt with: three referred to discolouration, although the meat was not unfit. In each case the manufacturers were consulted, and in one they intimated their intention of changing from tin-plate to lacquered cans. The fourth complaint referred to brown paper, which was found to be a piece of wrapping paper from packages of can lids, and the matter was not pursued further.

A small piece of black plastic material alleged to have been found in a tin of processed peas was referred to the manufacturers.

Two complaints referred to pastry goods—one a mouldy Cornish pasty, which was the subject of legal proceedings, a fine of £50 being imposed. The second complaint referred to glass in a pie, but the complainant was unable to produce the glass.

A box of **assorted cheeses** with a shelf life of only six months, but which had been sold after fourteen months, resulted in legal proceedings and a fine of £50.

Three other, lesser, complaints referred to stale bacon, stale eggs and stale butter.

A chocolate flavoured drink was found to contain a fungus although this was non-pathogenic. The matter was taken up with the manufacturers and the public health authorities for that area.

Milk.

Below is a summary of complaints regarding bottled milk, with a brief note of the outcome.

- (a) Plastic wheel from toy ... Fine £10.
- (b) Brown staining on inside of bottle Fine £5.
- (c) Two other complaints of staining on inside of bottle

No legal proceedings, matter taken up with the dairy.

SAMPLING UNDER FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

I am indebted to the County Medical Officer of Health for the following details of the number of samples analysed, and action taken in respect of the District, during 1964.

Australia	1	Analysec	I		Adulterated or Irregular			
Articles	Formal	In- formal	Total	Formal	In- formal	Total		
FOOD:		Halla .	di Du	200111				
Blackcurrant juice, syrup	_	1	1			Szass		
Bread	2	2	4	-	1	1		
Cooking Oil	1	_	1			3		
Confectionery, sugar	1	1	2					
Cream, double		1	1	- INFE				
Flour	-	1	1	F20/15		al ne		
Fruit, tinned, various	_	3	3					
Gin	1		1					
Honey	1		1			BIT SHE		
Jelly	1	_	1			and n		
Lard	2	_	2	r borne		SHILL		
Milk	106	12	118	2		2		
Mincemeat	_	1	1					
Rum	1	_	1	1	Maria			
Scampi pate	_	1	1	1				
Soft Drinks		2						
Whisky	2	_	2 2					
DRUGS:			133391	Interior .				
Dimyril Cough linetus	_	1	1			No.		
Metatone		1	1					
Priscal tablets		î	Î					
Tibout tubicts in in in			W flen	Mighton				
Totals	118	28	146	2	1	3		

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SHORT PARTICULARS OF MILK SAMPLING FOR THE YEARS 1956 TO 1964. ANALYSIS RESULTS.

	Cattle Slaugh-	tered		1	1		1	1	1 3	Iso	1	12
-	В.	Nega-	tive	38	36	43	18	16	1	30	16	24
	T.B.	Posi-	tive				1	1	1	1	1	1
	ty Test		Failed	1	1			1	1			
ANALISIS RESULIS.	Turbidity Test		Satisfactory	6	10	11	10	11	N	22	23	7
A CICI	dene Blue	Failed		9	1	1	3	2	1	11	4	8
ANAL		111	107	107	119	88	94	168	137	171		
	tase Test	Failed					2			1		1
	Phosphatase Test	Satisfac-	t ry	107	102	100	105	106	84	144	120	151
	amples	condum		145 172 27	133 154 21	163 164	141	134	103	201	164	193
	Number of Samples	Taken		Designated 145 172 Undesignated 27	Designated Undesignated	Designated 163 164 Undesignated 1	Designated	Designated	Designated	Designated	Designated	Designated
	Year			1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964

SECTION 6

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Disease	1964	1963	Increase+ Decrease—
Scarlet Fever	 14	11	+ 3
Whooping Cough	 6	17	- 11
Erysipelas	2	3	— 1 N
Dysentery	8	38	- 30
Salmonella typhi-murium	 3	_	+ 3
Salmonella other infections	 2	4	_ 2
Measles	 113	257	-144
Pneumonia	10	6	+ 4
Food Poisoning	5		+ 5
Typhoid Fever	 _	1	- 1
Puerperal Pyrexia	 2	1	+ 1
Undulant Fever	 _	1	- 1
Meningoococcal Meningitis	 2	is Aug 1	+ 2
Total	 167	339	—172

SCARLET FEVER AND HAEMOLYTIC STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS.

There were two outbreaks in schools, one being a private boarding school. In both cases all children and staff were checked, and all carriers found were treated. Each incident was over in about three weeks.

Cross-infections of Haemolytic Streptococcal, Group 'A', and Staph. Aureus, affecting nose, throat and skin, occurred in six children in a home for mentally retarded children. Close investigation was necessary here, and following visits from Medical Officers from this department, certain recommendations were put forward for conduct at the home, certain works necessary in the kitchen, etc. Seven weeks' quarantine was necessary before this mixed infection could be eliminated.

Eight out of the thirty-one children in a residential nursery suffered from Haemolytic Streptococcal throat infections in June, and the nursery was in quarantine for four weeks.

WHOOPING COUGH.

Of the six cases of Whooping Cough notified, 4 had no immunisation history, one had had 3 doses but five years earlier, and the remaining one had just three years earlier had the first dose only, having defaulted at follow-up.

TETANUS.

Two cases occurred in boys, one aged 5 and the other 11. The younger boy unfortunately died on the ninth day of illness, but the other was treated successfully with curare.

TYPHOID AND PARATYPHOID FEVER.

Following the outbreak of **Typhoid Fever in Aberdeen**, and its suspected association with certain batch numbers of canned corned beef from Argentina, over 500 visits were made to shops and food shops. All persons returning to this area from Aberdeen were investigated. Food shops, canteens, restaurants and water undertakings were circulated with a letter warning of the danger of employees who had returned from the infected area. General practitioners and hospital doctors also co-operated. The episode was made the basis of emphasising the value of food hygiene precautions, especially the importance of careful washing of hands.

There were a number of repercussions in this District arising out of the Aberdeen outbreak. Two persons employed on food handling, newly arrived in this area from Aberdeen, were specially checked and kept under supervision for appropriate periods and three children from schools in Aberdeen were checked on return to this area. A large contingent of soldiers from Aberdeen came to a military camp in this area during the period of the outbreak. Special action was necessary at the camp since many of the personnel were living under 'field' conditions.

Two residents in this area who had been in contact with a case of Paratyphoid B in a tented camp in Northants while attending a horse show, were investigated, specimens proving negative.

FOOD POISONING AND SALMONELLA INFECTIONS.

The only **notified outbreak** was in a private household, five persons being affected. The suspected meal was a midday meal but no food was left over. One person who had partaken of the meal had no symptoms. It was thought possible it may have been a Staphylococcal infection possibly introduced by the mother of the family.

An outbreak of suspected Food Poisoning occurred at a primary school, 24 children and three staff being affected, in one day. The school dinners were supplied from a central school kitchen in another District, and enquiries showed that eleven other schools supplied with the same meal as that suspected were unaffected. No food remained for examination and a closer inspection showed that there had been a small number of similar cases at the school during the previous two weeks and continued further. Specimens from eight sufferers, however, were completely negative.

An unnotified outbreak of Food Poisoning occurred among guests who had attended a wedding reception at an hotel in Sep-

tember. At least 11 of the 60 people present were affected. During the course of enquiries into this outbreak, a second one was discovered, again among a party of about 60 people who had attended a reception at the hotel, but since they had come from widely scattered addresses, no further information was obtained. A thorough investigation was made of both premises and personnel, and detailed advice given to the management as to hygiene and routine. The exact cause of the outbreaks was never discovered.

It was learned from a regiment of the Territorial Army that 12 out of 37 members of the regiment had suffered from diarrhoea and vomiting following a weekend at an army camp in our District. The sufferers had come from a wide area. Several items of food taken at the suspected meal were still available, but bacteriological examination of these and of stools from the staff showed no organisms. The outbreak was probably due to C1 Welchii in soup heated from day to day, but unfortunately none was left over on this occasion.

An unusual type of Salmonella—Give—was found in one case. Enquiries showed that the patient had been in Africa about a month previously, and he almost certainly brought the infection back with him.

Another rather unusual **Salmonella—St. Paul**—was found in a woman of 79. Her illness was rather protracted but she did eventually make a complete recovery.

SONNE DYSENTERY.

In a Children's Hostel, 13 out of 100 children suffered from severe gastro-enteritis. Some were quite seriously ill, with temperatures up to 105°. Detailed enquiries were made, including special investigation by Dr. Cook of the Guildford Public Health Laboratory. No causal organism could be found, and at first it was thought to have been a virus infection. Continued investigation, however, revealed Sonne Dysentery. The uncertain findings in the earlier stage may have been because there were some minor sore throats there at the same time under treatment with antibiotics.

E. COLI INFECTION.

One child of $8\frac{1}{2}$ months with E. Coli infection 0.128 was dangerously ill; dehydration reduced her weight from 17 lbs. to $13\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. She recovered with hospital treatment.

WINTER VOMITING.

This was fairly prevalent in December. One distinctive feature was that adults suffered a greater degree of diarrhoea than school-children.

UNDULANT FEVER.

Information was received of a case in another county, the sufferer having partaken of raw milk produced in this area. The matter was referred to the Veterinary Department but no direct link was found.

INFECTIVE HEPATITIS.

There was an outbreak at Ash, 17 cases occurring between October and December. The majority were associated with one school and a group of Council houses. There was evidence of rat and mice infestation in the vicinity of the latter, and appropriate action was taken. Special arrangements were made for disinfection of hands of children after visiting the school toilets, and this seemed a major factor in shortening the incident.

MENINGO-MENINGITIS.

Two cases occurred in one family living in married quarters at a military camp. Special arrangements were made for the supervision of other young children who had attended the same day nursery as the cases and the nursery was closed for two weeks. There were no developments.

CHICKEN POX/MENINGO-ENCEPHALITIS.

A man of 29 died from this unusual cause.

MUMPS ENCEPHALITIS.

This occurred in a boy of 4. He was acutely ill for about ten weeks.

ACUTE TOXIC ERYTHEMA EXUDATUM MULTIFORME.

This case in a man of 21 was suspected at first to be fulminating smallpox. The patient was dangerously ill and was in hospital for nearly ten weeks. The condition occurred about two weeks after a chest infection.

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION.

The Divisional Medical Officer has supplied the following figures showing the number of children treated during 1964, in respect of the Guildford Rural District:—

Year of Birth	Dipht Teta Perti	nus/	Dipht Teta	heria/ anus	Diph	theria	Teta	anus
	Primary Course	Booster	Primary Course	Booster	Primary Course	Booster	Prim Cse.	Boost
1964	249		2				T LA	
1963	456	194	3	11	44		-	-
1962	59	138	-	58	_	-	-	
1961	18	46	2	28	_	_	_	2
1960	10	23	3	27	_	1	3	3
1959-55	5	94	23	316	THE MICH	120	164	55
1954-50	1	15	9	76	0.00	81	175	54

Poliomyelitis: Receiving a Primary Course (3 doses).

Yea	r of B	irth.		Con	pleting	Course	during	1964.
	1964		 			85		
	1963			900.01		470		
Between	1962	-1945	 			232		
Between	1944	-1935	 			26		
Between	1934	-1924	 			22		

Fourth Boosters.

Children between the ages of 5-12 years ... 580

B.C.G. Vaccination.

No. of Acceptances.	Number Vaccinated.	No. Positive.	Absentees.
173	153	9	11
		(all referred to Chest Clinics)	

Vaccination against Smallpox.

Year of Birth.	Primary Vaccination.	Revaccination.
1964	30	might kee need
1963	425	o marks when a
1962	179	2
1961	13	7
1960	10	5
1959-1955	16	41
1954-1950	3	20

INFECTIOUS DISEASE, 1964. AGE INCIDENCE. (Other than Tuberculosis)

		Total	400 1 0 1 0	15
		Total		1
		Mount	111111-111	-
tal	s,sy ls	St. Lul Hospit	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	2
Admitted to Hospital	ls	Green Lane Hospit	6 2 2 3	00
nitted t	, Is	Northi tiqsoH IstablA	1111111-111	1
Adr	Wer	Ottersl Hospit	17	3
		60 & over		9
		50-	111711111111	1
		40-	11-1-111	2
040	113	30-		7
>	At Ages—Tears	20-	111-1-11 101	2
Age	U SCS	15-	-1111-111	2
1	7	10-	4-10	7
		5-10	64 8 7 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	70
		1-5	2 1 3 2	89
		under 1-5 5-		2
1	At all Ages		113 8 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	167
				167
	NOTIFIABLE DISEASE		xia kir hi-	:
			Measles Scarlet Fever Dysentery Frod Poisoning Food Poisoning Fuerperal Pyrexia Whooping Cough Salmonella typhimurium Salmonella - other infections Meningococcal	Totals

INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIED INFECTIOUS DISEASE (other than Tuberculosis), 1964. PARISH BY PARISH.

	Totals	1113 144 10 10 10 2 2 2 2	167
1	Morplesdon	8-1 - -	20
	Wisley	-111 11 111 1	1
	Wanborough		
	Shere	821 24 6 1	31
	Shalford		9
	Shackleford		9
	Send	64	4
	Seale	4	w
	St. Martha	7	2
	Ripley	21	8
ısh	Puttenham		-
Parish	Pirbright	4	9
	Оскрат	v	22
	Normandy	THE HERE	1
	Horsley, W	21 2 2 1 1 2	10
	Horsley, E	nu 1	6
	Effingham	0 1 1 0 1	14
	Compton		1
	Clandon, W	∞	18
	Clandon, E		
	ysk	1 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1	28
	Artington		-
	Albury	-111 11 111 1	-
COMPA	NOTIFIABLE DISEASE	Measles Scarlet Fever Dysentery Food Poisoning Puerperal Pyrexia Pheumonia Salmonella - Typhi-murium Erysipelas W/Cough Salmonella - other infections Meningococcal	Totals

SCHOOL ABSENTEES, 1964.

School	Scarlet Fever	Chickenpox	Measles	German Measles	Impetigo	Mumps	Dysentery	Glandular Fever	Whooping Cough	Infective Hepatitis	Totals
Albury C. of E Ash Common C. of E Ash Vale County Primary Ash Walsh C of E. Heathcote Ash Wyke County Primary Chilworth C. of E Clandon, East, C. of E Clandon, West, C. of E Compton C. of E Effingham County Primary Effingham County Secondary Holmbury St. Mary C. of E. Horsley, East, C. of E Manfield County Primary Ockham C. of E Peaslake C. of E Perry Hill County Primary Pirbright County Primary Puttenham C. of E Raleigh County Primary Puttenham C. of E Seale C. of E Seale C. of E Shalford C. Primary Infts Shalford C. Junior Mixed Shalford C. Junior Mixed Shalford C. Junior Mixed Shalford C. Secondary Wood Street County Primary Yeomans Bridge C. Sec	1	30 4 70 42 56 2 1		1 1 1 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		6 1 11 16 - 3 - 22 - 32 - 1 - 13 - 8 5 - 8					38 8 73 55 60 21 1 26 1 79 - 34 - 7 1 41 8 6 12 - 2
Totals	8	305	13	9	1	126	_	4	6	1	473

CANCER.

DEATHS FROM CANCER.

Site	10-	30	30-	40	40-	50	50-	60	60-	70	70-	80	Ov 80			Lotals	Grand	Totals
	M	F	М	F	М	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	1964	1963
Alimentary Canal		-	-				2	_	2		3	1	4	3	11	4	15	22
Breast	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	00_	3	-	5	_	1	-	14	14	13
Lung	-	-	1	1	1	1	4	1	4	4	8	-	3	-	21	7	28	27
Liver	1	-	-	-		-	-	_	1	-	-	_	_	1	2	1	3	4
Tongue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_		1	-			1	-	1	OIE
Other	1	1	-	-	2	3	5	4	8	7	5	3	4	5	25	23	48	45
1964 1963	2	1	1 1	1	3 2	7 4	11 13	7			17 21		11 9	10 6		49 50	109	111

DEATHS FROM CANCER DURING THE LAST 16 YEARS

Year	Male	Female	Total	Death-Rate
1949	37 (8)	46 (3)	83 (11)	1.90
1950	37 (13)	30 (2)	67 (15)	1.58
1951	36 (9)	40 (3)	76 (12)	1.64
1952	41 (11)	31 (-)	72 (11)	1.54
1953	40 (10)	34 (-)	74 (10)	1.55
1954	39 (13)	34 (1)	73 (14)	1.55
1955	40 (10)	31 (3)	71 (13)	1.50
1956	60 (18)	42 (3)	102 (21)	2.07
1957	37 (9)	33 (4)	70 (13)	1.40
1958	41 (19)	43 (3)	84 (22)	1.64
1959	55 (23)	56 (8)	111 (31)	2.11
1960	55 (20)	47 (2)	102 (22)	1.91
1961	59 (21)	52 (2)	111 (23)	2.01
1962	62 (25)	49 (1)	111 (26)	2.00
1963	61 (21)	50 (6)	111 (27)	1.94
1964	60 (21)	49 (7)	109 (28)	1.81

Figures in brackets () are of lung cancer, included in the total.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table shows the notification and deaths in the district, with the corresponding rates per 1,000 of the population, during the past 10 years:

Year	Cases Trans. In	New Cases Notified	Notification Rate	Deaths from T.B.	Death-Rate per 1,000 of the Population
1955	29	26	0.55	5	0.10
1956	22	24	0.49	5	0.10
1957	27	21	0.39	2	0.04
1958	20	16	0.37	_	0.00
1959	27	16	0.36	5	0.09
1960	35	14	0.26	1	0.02
1961	25	17	0.30	3	0.05
1962	23	19	0.37	4	0.07
1963	24	6	0.12	3	0.05
1964	19	12	0.23	1	0.02

The following table shows the number and types of cases on the Register at December for the last 12 years:

Veen	Pulm	nonary	Non-Pu	ulmonary	Total No. on Register at 31st December	
Year	Male	Female	Male	Female		
1953	144	101	50	62	357	
1954	148	106	49	60	363	
1955	157	109	44	61 :	371	
1956	166	109	48	60	383	
1957	172	122	45	56	395	
1958	175	125	40	55	395	
1959	175	125	38	51	389	
1960	177	128	38	48	391	
1961	180	129	37	51	397	
1962	165	117	19	26	327	
1963	157	116	19	23	315	
1964	157	100	21	19	297	

NOTIFICATIONS AND MORTALITY OF TUBERCULOSIS, 1964.

	Non-Respitarory	Male		1	and and	1	1	1	ı	1	al e	1	
Deaths	itory	Female		1	1		1	1		(1)		1	(1)
	Respiratory	Male	1	ig i	1	1	8 10		1 (1)	(1)	(2)	1	1 (4)
	piratory	Female		1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	
ases*	Non-Respiratory	Male	1	ı	1	1		1	1	I	-	1	2
New Cases*	atory	Female	.	1	1	2	2	1	1	ı	1	-	7
	Respiratory	Male	1	ı	1	1	9	9	7	ı	1	1	22
	Age Periods		0—1	1—5	5—15	15—25	25—35	35—45	45—55	55—65	65 and over	Unknown	Totals

* 12 of the cases were primary notifications and 19 were cases transferred into the district from elsewhere. The figures in brackets are the number of deaths of patients on the tuberculosis register.

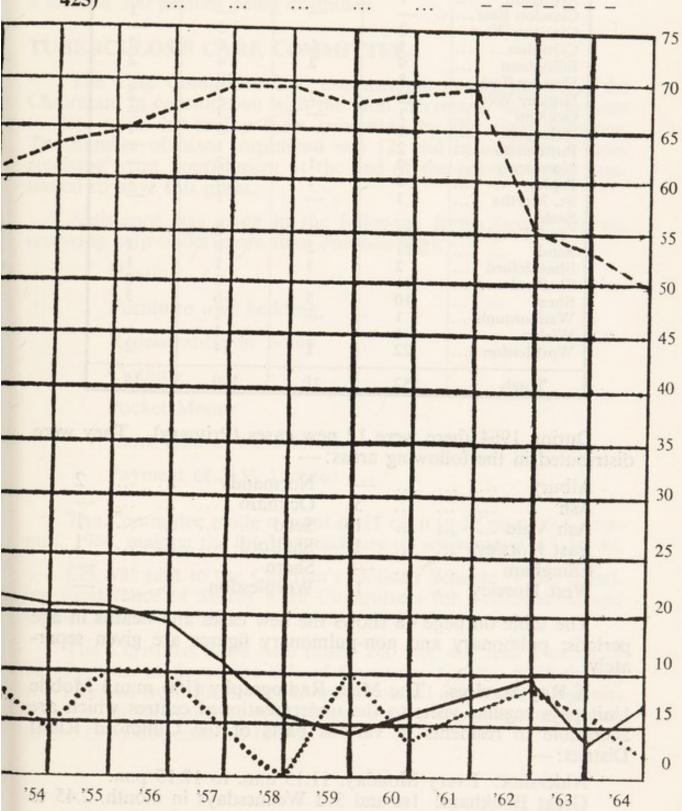
GRAPH SHOWING THE ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS.

Notifications of Tuberculosis (0 to 75) ...

Deaths from Tuberculosis (0 to 35) ...

(excluding deaths of tuberculosis patients from other diseases)

Numbers on Register of notified cases (75 to 425)



TUBERCULOSIS CASES IN PARISHES as at 31/12/64

PARISH	MA	LE	FEM	IALE
PARISH	Pulmon'y	Non- pulmon'y	Pulmon'y	Non- pulmon'y
Albury	. 2		2	10/19/0
Ash		2	24	1
Artington		-	1	-
Clandon East				1
Clandon West	3	-	3	_
Compton	. 3	1	5	2 2
Effingham	. 9	2	4	2
Horsley East		-	10	
Horsley West	10	2	2	2
Ockham	. 1	-	3	700
Pirbright		-	3	1
Puttenham	. 2	_	1	-
Normandy	. 9	1	2 3	-
Ripley	6 3	1		1
St. Martha Seale	. 3	-	1	_
and Tongham	11	1	2	-
Send		2 3	8	1
Shackleford	. 2	3	1	1
Shalford	. 11	_	3	2 3
Shere		5	6	3
Wanborough	. 1	_	1	-
Wisley	. 1	_	1	
Worplesdon	0.0	1	14	2
Totals	. 157	21	100	19

During 1964 there were 12 new cases (Primary). They were distributed in the following areas:—

Albury	 	_	Normandy	 	2
Ash			Ockham	 	
Ash Vale			Send	 	1
East Horsley			Shalford	 	1
Effingham			Shere	 	_
West Horsley	 	1	Worplesdon	 	-

The table on page 48 shows the new cases and deaths in age periods; pulmonary and non-pulmonary figures are given separately.

X-Ray Services. The Mass Radiography (100 m.m.) Mobile Unit pays regular visits to the undermentioned centres which are accessible to residents in various parts of the Guildford Rural District:—

Aldershot: Every Monday, 11.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. Great Bookham: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in month, 2.45 to 3.30 p.m.

Cobham: 1st and 3rd Mondays, 9.30 to 10 a.m.

Dorking: Every Wednesday, 4.30 to 5.30 p.m.

Godalming: Every Wednesday, 10.30 to 11.15 a.m.

This is primarily to assist general practitioners to obtain a rapid diagnosis, but it is open to any members of the public who care to attend.

The unit paid visits to five industrial concerns during the year, a total of 960 persons being examined.

TUBERCULOSIS CARE COMMITTEE.

The Care Committee held one meeting during the year, the Chairman, in consultation with the Hon. Secretary, having powers to deal with day-to-day cases submitted by the Care Almoner. The number of cases considered was 12, and in addition 3 cases receiving extra nourishment at the end of the previous year continued to have this grant.

Assistance was given in the following forms (some patients receiving help under more than one heading): —

Heating			 	6
Furniture and	bedding		 	2
Redecoration i	n home		 	1
Clothing			 	1
Pocket Money			 	5
Extra milk or o	other foods	·	 	4
Payment of T.	V. Licence		 	1

The Committee made a grant of £1 each to 17 cases at Christmas, 1964, making the total expenditure on assistance £113 1s. 8d.

£75 was sent to the Children's Holiday Scheme of the Standing Conference of Surrey Care Committees for Tuberculosis and Chest Diseases.

The Christmas Seals Sale raised £60 18s. 4d., and a profit of 16s. 8d. was made on the sale of Christmas Cards. £101 5s. 9d. was received from the Surrey County Council as part of the profits from the Sunday opening of cinemas—a most valuable contribution to the Care Committee's funds.